# A Supplement to the Fauna and Flora of Horn Island, Mississippi

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Figure 1. Panicum amarum Elliott — Bitter Grass



Figure 2. Uniola paniculata Linnaeus — Sea Oats



Figure 3. From Sound (Section 18)



Figure 4. Looking West from Section 24

Since the publication of "The Fauna and Flora of Horn Island, Mississippi" (Richmond 1962) search for unrecorded species present on this island, or in the waters surrounding it, has been continuing by myself and others. The premise that all of the plants and animals living in a given area can never be located completely is naturally well-founded. However, it seems advisable to continue the search for unlisted species of Horn Island.

Many unrecorded specimens have been collected and it seems proper at this time to make a supplementary list available to the public, particularly those interested in fields of science and nature. Knowing what is present on the island doubtless will tend to stimulate biological studies in various fields of endeavor.

The card catalogues of the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory Museum have been carefully examined by me through the courtesy of Mr. C. E. Dawson, Curator. Dr. Gordon Gunter kindly made some of his unpublished data of 1956 and 1957 available. Many visits to Horn Island have been made by the writer and others. In fact all members or students from the Laboratory have contributed in some way or other and, when known, credit is given to each one. The new contributors since the issue of my 1962 paper include W. I. Anderson, recently deceased, of the Shearwater Pottery Company. His expert knowledge of bird life has been especially helpful. David Peterson, manager of the Gulf Island National Wildlife Refuges since he replaced John H. Walther, K. E. Myers and Jerry E. Blackard, respectively managers of previous years, has been extremely cooperative. Frank Carroll, who has been associated with these managers, has assisted me materially. Marvin Phillips, formerly with the United States Army and stationed on the island, accompanied me on many trips during 1944 and 1945.

As usual, the facilities of Cornell University, the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, the United States National Museum and the American Museum of Natural Ilistory have been available to me for identification. W. J. Gertsch of the American Museum identified the spiders. T. E. Bowman (United States National Museum), has checked a number of crustaceans as has Douglas Farrell of the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory. R. B. Channell (Vanderbilt University), Roland M. Harper (Alabama University) recently de-ceased, and E. T. Wherry (University of Pennsylvania) verified the names of many plants. Dr. Harper reports that Pinus clausa (Engelm.) Vasey, the spruce-pine of Florida, although present in Alabama, is otherwise restricted to Florida. A single specimen is growing on Horn Island according to Dr. Channell and is listed in my original paper (1962). Dr. Harper stated in 1928 that Pinus clausa is confined to the stationary dunes of pure white sand on the coast of Baldwin County, Alabama. There is no doubt that many of the plants originally established on Horn Island have disappeared and also that many others are constantly getting a foothold there. For instance, the cypress has gone and the chinaberry tree has arrived.

Again credit is extended to the specialists who kindly gave their time to verify or name the species contained in the lists given in

Chapter IV. My 1962 paper thanked many too briefly but I will not repeat the entire list. Many additional specialists have been interviewed and their courtesy is appreciated. Included are the following scientists: W. A. Connell, D. R. Davis, R. C. Froeschner, J. L. Herring, R. W. Hodges, J. M. Kingsolver, T. J. Spilman and Richard E. White of the United States National Museum; M. D. Leonard, retired, formerly with the Shell Oil Company; Miss E. Van Tassell (formerly at Catholic University, Washington, D. C.); Robert C. Graves (Bowling Green State University, Ohio) and L. L. Pechuman (Insect Curator, Cornell University).

Henry Yost, deceased, and J. Cowger of the Pest Control Laboratory, United States Department of Agriculture, at Gulfport, Mississippi, gave me some supplies and valuable suggestions. My retired friend, Henry Dietrich, former Curator of Entomology at Cornell University, identified many beetles, especially carabids. James E. Böhlke checked my determinations of a number of fresh water fishes. Leona W. Richmond typed most of my preliminary notes and took some very excellent photographs in connection with this study.

James S. Franks of the University of Mississippi and the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory has collected the fishes of the lagoons and ponds of Horn Island through the courtesy of the Fish and Wildfife Service of the U. S. Department of the Interior. He was aided financially by a modest N. S. F. grant obtained by the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory. A number of species, recently collected by him, have been added to my original list.

Dr. A. E. Schuyler helped particularly in the accurate determination of the sedges. H. W. Wilkens of Reading, Pennsylvania, called my attention to several plants not previously listed. Wilkens, visiting the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory in the spring and fall of 1965, did some collecting on the mainland but did not go to Horn Island. He reports that Richard L. Diener, formerly of Keesler Air Force Base, collected fifteen specimens on the island. Some of his specimens were not previously listed. E. P. Bicknell (1899) and E. E. Sherff (1933) each described a new species of plant from Horn Island. The species were collected by S. M. Tracy. As yet, I have not located *Coreopsis corninsularis* Sherff.

#### II. DESCRIPTION OF THE ISLAND

Horn Island is briefly described by Richmond (1962). As is well known, its conformity is constantly changing. This is particularly noticeable along the shoreline and from the changes in the shape and size of the lagoons and ponds. Evidently the southeastern portion is losing its foundation to the Gulf, whereas the northwestern area is gradually building up. This is in keeping with Richard R. Priddy's (1965) premise that the changes are due to the Mississippi River's power to move the barrier islands by "long shore" currents. These currents discharge southeastward and are diverted northward towards the islands and then westward. The result, he states, is that the islands are moving westward and to some extent southward.

The strong root system of the slash pine holds the central region (East and West) more or less in a stable equilibrium. Wax myrtle, yaupon, groundsel, rosemary, bitter beachgrass (Fig. 1) and sea oats (Fig. 2) doubtless have helped materially.

The dunes on the south side took a terrific beating in the fall of 1965. An attempt had been made by the Fish and Wildlife Service management to anchor those areas by bulldozing the sand into seemingly protective dunes. It was hoped that such a method, together with the use of winter fences (Fig. 5) would tend to alleviate the onslaught of the wind and Gulf waters. No real success was attained and the southern shore area was definitely flattened (Fig. 6). Most of the higher natural dunes held fast. LaGorce (1915) writes most interestingly about the ravages created by the Atlantic Ocean on our eastern coast.

During the passage of hurricane Betsy, heavy rains fell on lower Mississippi from the ninth to twelfth of September 1965. This rain, coupled with winds varying from 70 to 90 miles per hour, caused much shifting of the sands and the recently constructed dunes were leveled off. Raccoons, deer and other animals from all the islands were drowned and a number were washed up on the shore of the mainland. Much miscellaneous debris was dumped on the island. Tropical seabean seeds and a ten-foot palm tree bole were found near the area of the former army barracks.

The late W. I. Anderson, who was a well-known naturalist, artist and one of the owners of the Shearwater Pottery of Ocean Springs, attained one of his lifelong ambitions when he weathered this hurricane. He was wont to frequent the island for weeks at a time, as he communed in solitude with nature. Many ideas, emanating from his observations, were used in his pottery designs. At the time that Betsy was on a rampage, he was camping on his favorite so-called abode. When the water rose to his armpits, he tied the painter of his small boat about his waist and moved away from the rising waters to a higher level on one of the larger dunes. Darkness fell and he spent the night and following day safely in the leeward of the higher dunes until the storm abated. He saw his favorite pig washed away and drowned.

On 10 July 1966, an exhibition of some of Anderson's paintings of Horn Island scenes, plants and animals was staged at a motel in Pascagoula, Mississippi. The tropical storm Debbie left a record of 16.85 inches of rainfall in downtown Mobile on September 29th and 30th of 1965. I have no information of its effect on Horn Island.

#### III. HISTORICAL DATA

Although Claiborne (1880) did not write about Horn Island, he did write quite extensively concerning Dauphin Island and Ship Island, which lie very close to Horn. Unfortunately his Volume II was destroyed by fire.

Guyton (1952) in a school textbook entitled "Our Mississippi" tells about Pierre LeMoyne d'Iberville's journey from France via Santo Domingo to Ship Island. On February 10, 1699, the expedition arrived. There, they were met by friendly Biloxi Indians. The Biloxis informed d'Iberville relative to a "near-by" mainland and especially about a large river to the west. Leaving his flect anchored, he and his younger brother, Bienville, toured the coast and located the Mississippi River. Later they returned to Ship Island and at Old Biloxi (Ocean Springs) built Fort Maurepas on April 8, 1699. My previous paper (1962) states that Indians stayed "close to the mainland." Such is evidently incorrect in view of the presence of the Biloxis on Ship. Since the Gulf islands were separated only by relatively narrow expanses of water, it seems very likely that the Indians did roam on Horn. However, no evidence has been revealed concerning such peregrinations. As Thompson (1964) stated, "Horn Island is a blurred page in history." In 1965 Thompson again wrote about Horn Island and used some illustrations. The lighthouse, which was washed away in 1906, was pictured. Another unmanned lighthouse was erected on the north side of Petit Bois. The Pascagoula and Moss Point Chronicle (1965) published an interesting article about these lighthouses.

Since 1945, all military buildings noted in my first paper have been removed or destroyed by the weather elements. Only the powerhouse chimney in the operations area remains standing. In 1963 the Fish and Wildlife Service erected a 20 x 40 feet crew cabin on Horn Island near the area where the former headquarters of the military establishment was located during World War II. This cabin was erected six feet above a concrete flooring which supports the beams of the building. In 1965, a garage with a storeroom was built to house the vehicles and to supply extra storage space.

Transportation to and from the Island was made available by the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory or the Fish and Wildlife Service. The Laboratory trawler, HERMES, and the 30-foot SKIMMER of the Wildlife Service were used. Travel on the island was made on foot or by a Refuges jeep.

#### IV. ANIMAL AND PLANT LISTS

"There is not a property in nature but a mind is born to seek and find it, for it is not the plants or the animals, innumerable as they are, nor the whole magazine of material nature that give the sum power, but the infinite applicability of these things in the hands of thinking man, every new application being equivalent to a new material."

#### -R. W. Emerson (1879) 1891

As in my 1962 paper, the species listed include only those animals and plants which were actually collected or sighted on Horn Island or in the waters around it out to a few fathoms of depth. The listings herein include only the records acquired from 1962 to 1966 inclusive.

A black-light trap was used occasionally instead of a New Jersey light trap for taking insects. However, its use did not prove entirely satisfactory. Hand-nets, pans, picking up and cupping proved more successful. In 1963, Kent Meyer ran the trap for several days during early April and two lots of collections were forwarded to me. An immediate kill was not obtained and most of the more delicate insects were ruined beyond identification. Cyanide was used as the killing agent. One other collection was made by Jerry Blackard on 14 April 1965. Ethyl acetate was used as the killing agent and the results proved more successful. Due to various climatic and labor difficulties, no further runs were made until June 1966. Now the use of 70% isopropyl alcohol and ethyl acetate keeps the collection in better shape.

The observance of a Barn Owl and the Coypu (Nutria) on the island in 1966 was called to my attention by David Peterson, J. S. Franks and others. Tracks of the River Otter were reported by Boyd Kynard and the otter is apparently quite common although I do not list it. Just when these animals moved in is not known. W. I. Anderson saw animals on drifting logs, boxes, etc. from time to time. Bond (1966) briefly discusses the transportation of small animals, invertebrates and birds by vegetative rafts on ocean waters. Hogs raised on the island before 1940 are still present. Trapping has reduced them somewhat.

Ruby-throated hummingbirds migrated through the Island in the Spring of 1964. They were very numerous and for a number of days fed quite commonly on purple thistle. In 1965, I arrived at the island very early in hopes of seeing their activity but no such migration occurred. None were reported in 1966. The nests of the Brown Pelicans on the North Islands were seriously depleted by adverse weather conditions in 1960 but lately the species appears to be on the increase. Several flocks were observed in 1966 and a colony of more than one hundred were seen using a group of spoil bank islands in the Sound just south of Pascagoula. However, their present nesting place is unknown.

A number of recently collected plants have been given to the Academy of Sciences in Philadelphia, as well as to the Bailey Hortorium of Ithaca, New York.

Aside from standard books and texts, publications by the following authors and institutions have been helpful in the studies of the animals and plants encountered in the Southern Mississippi area— Jenkins (1933), Behre (1950), Radford, Ahles and Bell (1964), Ralph Smith *et al.* (1964), Taylor (1960) and Williams (1964). Attention should be called to Richard Lane's (1957) excellent presentation of the history and activities of the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory. No concentrated effort has been made to consider the protozoans, algae, mosses or ferns but some algae and ferns are listed. Humm and Caylor (1957) wrote extensively on the "Summer Marine Flora of Mississippi Sound" but nothing was specifically collected near Horn Island. F. Drouet of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia identified several species of algae.

R. B. Channell's manuscript on "Vegetation of the West End of Horn Island" was most interesting and helpful to me and to members of the teaching staff at the Laboratory. He has also collected many species of algae on trips to Horn Island with his classes during recent years and has kindly given me their names. These species are listed.

Pictures in this paper will perhaps give the reader a broader vision of the plants and characteristic scenes encountered on Horn Island (Figs. 1-12).

An examination of Table No. 1 shows 1,568 species of plants and animals collected and identified from 1944 through 1966, 468 species since 1961. Naturally the insects predominate in numbers (712 species). The fishes follow with 156 species. Two hundred four species of plants are recorded.

#### TABLE 1

#### Number of Identified Members of the Fauna and Flora Horn Island Records (1944-1966)

ANIMAL PHYLA AND MAJOR SUBDIVISIONS	FAMILIES	GENERA	SPECIES
Lower Invertebrates (through Annelida)	28	30	30
Mollusca	56	88	110
Arthropoda (Classes)			
Merostomata	1	1	1
Crustacea	46	71	94
Myriapoda	1	1	1
Insecta	157	478	712
Arachnida	15	<b>24</b>	28
Echinodermata	6	8	11
Prosopygia	1	1	1
Enteropneusta	1	1	1
Urochorda	1	1	1
Cephalochorda	1	1	1
Craniata (Classes)			
Pisces	64	114	156
Amphibia	2	5	10
Reptilia	10	16	23
Aves	38	131	176
Mammalia	6	6	8
Animals	434	977	1364
Plants	77	147	204
Total Collections	511	1124	1568

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Phylum COELENTERATA		
Class Hydromedusae		
Hydractinidae		
<sup>5</sup> Hydractinia echinata Fleming Spiny Polymorphic Hydroid		
Class Scyphomedusae		
Pelagidae		
<sup>5</sup> Chrysaora quinquecirrha Desor Jellyfish		
Rhizophysaliidae Physalia pelagica Bosc Portuguese Man-of-War		
Phylum PLATYHELMINTHES — Flatworms		
Class Turbellaria — Planarians		
Bdellouridae		
Bdelloura candida (Girard) Planaria		
Phylum ANNELIDA — Segmented Worms		
Class Chaetopoda		
Chaetopteridae		
<sup>5</sup> Chaetopterus sp.		
Megascolecidae Pontedrilus bermudensis Beddard		
Class Hirudinea — Leeches		
Piscicolidae		
Myzobdella lugubris Leidy Leech		
Phylum MOLLUSCA — Mollusks		
Class Pelecypoda — Clams		
Teredinidae — Ship Worms		
<sup>5</sup> Teredo sp. Ship Worm		
Order Nudibranchia Corambidae		
Corambella baratariae Harry Barataria Nudibranch Dorididae		
Doris verrucosa Linnaeus Verucose Slug		
Class Gastropoda — Snails (Univalves)		
Fissurellidae		
Diadora cayenensis Lamarck Cayenne Keyhole Limpet		
Vitrinellidae Cyclostremella humilis Bush Humble Cyclostremella		

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Melongenidae - Large Whelks

<sup>8</sup>Busycon contrarium

Strombidae

Strombus alatus Gmelin Florida Fighting Conch

Class Cephalopoda — Cuttlefishes

Loliginidae

Doryteuthis plei (de Blainville) Loligo pealei LeSueur Lolliguncula brevis de Blainville Squid Peale's Squid Short Squid

Phylum ARTHROPODA - Segmented Animals

Class Crustacea — Crustaceans

Subclass Copepoda

Clausidiidae

<sup>4</sup>Clausidium sp.

Lernaeidae Lernaenicus radiatus (LeSueur) Pontellidae <sup>1</sup>Anomalocera ornata Sutcliffe

Subclass Cirripedia

Lepadidae

<sup>1</sup>Lepas anatifera Linnaeus <sup>1</sup>Lepas pectinata Spengler

Goose Barnacle Pectinate Goose Barnacle

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Subclass Malacostraca

Order Amphipoda

Ampeliscidae

Ampelisca holmesi Pearse

Ampithoidae

<sup>3</sup>Ampithoe longimanus Smith Cymadusa filosa Savigny

Atylidae

Caprella carolinensis Mayer

Atylus minikai (A. C. Walker)

<sup>3</sup>Atylus sp.

Bateidae

Caprellidae

<sup>8</sup>Batea sp.

Carolina Caprella

<sup>3</sup>Hemiaegena minuta Mayer Corophiidae

<sup>3</sup>Corophium acherusicum Costa <sup>3</sup>Erithonius brasiliensis (Dana)



Figure 5. Winter fences before hurricane (Gulf side)



Figure 6. Winter fences after hurricane (Gulf side)

Gammaridae Carinogammarus mucronatus (Say) Haustoriidae <sup>3</sup>Haustorius mexicanus Bousfield Oedicerotidae <sup>8</sup>Monoculodes edwardsi Holmes Photidae <sup>3</sup>Microprotopus raneyi Wigley Talitridae — Sandfleas <sup>3</sup>Orchestia grillus (Bosc) <sup>3</sup>Orchestia platensis Krøyer <sup>3</sup>Talorchestia sp. No. 1 <sup>3</sup>Talorchestia sp. No. 2 Order Isopoda Cymothoidae Livoneca ovalis (Say) Idotheidae Erichsonella attenuata (Harger) Sphaeromidae Ancinus depressus (Say) Order Stomatopoda Squillidae Lysiosquilla excavatrix Brooks Mantis Shrimp Lysiosquilla scabricauda (Lamarck) Mantis Shrimp Order Decapoda Suborder Macrura Alpheidae - Snapping Shrimp <sup>5</sup>Crangon (Alpheus) heterochelis (Say) Hippolytidae Hippolyte zostericola (Smith) **Eel-Grass Shrimp** Tozeuma carolinense Kingsley Carolina Eel-Grass Shrimp Palaemonidae Palaemonetes vulgaris Say Common Grass Shrimp Penaeidae <sup>5</sup>Trachypeneus constrictus (Stimpson) Ogyrididae Ogyrides alphaerostis (Kingsley) Ogyrides Processidae Processa sp. Processa Suborder Brachyura Calappidae Calappa sulcata Rathbun Box Crab

Grapsidae	
<sup>6</sup> Sesarma cinereum (Bosc)	Wharf Crab
Majidae (Maiidae)	
	Calcareous" Spider Crab
Portunidae	2
Ovalipes guadulpensis (de Saussure)	Lady Crab
<sup>1</sup> Portunus gibbesii (Stimpson)	Swimming Crab
Xanthidae	
Panopeus herbstii (H. Milne Edwards)	Herbst's Mud Crab
<sup>5</sup> Panopeus sp.	Mud Crab
Suborder Anomura	
Albuneidae	
Albunea gibbesii (Stimpson)	Sand Crab
Lepidopa benedicti Schmitt	Sand Crab
Callianassidae	
Callianassa islagrande Schmitt	Grand Isle Calianassa
Paguridae	
Clibanarius vittatus (Bosc)	Striped Hermit Crab
Paguristes hummi Wass	Hermit Crab
Pagurus impressus (Benedict)	Impressed Hermit Crab
Petrochirus bahamensis (Herbst)	Red Hermit Crab
Porcellanidae	
Polyonyx gibbesi (Haig)	Gibb's Polyonyx

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<sup>1</sup>Species collected by E. A. Richmond (1962-1966): <sup>2</sup>H. J. Bennett; <sup>3</sup>Douglas Farrell; <sup>4</sup>Philip J. Phillips; <sup>5</sup>Gordon Gunter—unpublished data; <sup>6</sup>David Peterson. Remainder taken from a Gulf Coast Research Laboratory list.

CLASS INSECTA (HEXAPODA) - INSECTS

Odonata — Dragonflies, Damselflies

Lestidae

Lestes sp.

Libellulidae

Tarnetrum corruptum Hagen

Orthoptera — Grasshoppers, Crickets, Roaches, et al.

Gryllidae

Nemobius fasciatus (DeG.)

Hemiptera — True Bugs

Coreidae

Alydus pilosulus (Herrich-Schaeffer)

Hydrometridae

Hydrometra martini Kirkaldy

Lygaeidae Pachybrachius servillei (Guerin) Miridae Psallus seriatus (Reuter) Nepidae Ranatra australis Hungerford Notonectidae Notonecta indica Linnaeus Pentatomidae Banasa dimidiata (Say) Reduviidae Rasahus hamatus (Fab.) Homoptera - Aphids, Leafhoppers, et al. Acanaloniidae Acanalonia latifrons (Walker) Aphidiidae Aphis gossypii Glover Prociphilus sp. Cercopidae Prosapia bicincta (Say) Cicadellidae Draeculacephala bradleyi Van Duzee Draeculacephala portola Ball Draeculacephala producta (Walker) Tylozygus fasciatus (Walker) Flatidae Ormenoides venusta (Melichar) Membracidae Cyrtolobus tuberosa (Fairmaire) Spissistilus festinus (Say) Neuroptera — Lacewing-flies, antlions, et al. Ascalaphidae Ululodes hageni Weele Chrysopidae Chrysopa oculata Say Myrmeleontidae Paranthaclisis hageni (Bks) Lepidoptera - Butterflies, moths, skippers Suborder Heterocera, Superfamily Noctuoidea Arctiidae - Tiger Moths Apantesis nais Drury

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Diacrisia virginica (Fab.)
Hyphantria cunea (Drury)
            Eucleidae - Slug Caterpillars
Euclea sp.
Sibine stimulea Clem.
                    Olethreutidae
Bactra verutana verutana Zeller
        Phalaenidae (Noctuidae) — Noctuids
Acronicta tritona (Hbn.)
Euagrotis sp.
Euthisanotia unio Hbn.
Feltia subterranea (Fab.)
Leucania sp.
Orthodes crenulata Bth.
Tarachidia candefacta (Hbn)
             Geometridae — Geometrids
Semiothisa sp.
                   Megalopygidae
Lagoa crispata Packard
                     Pyralididae
Diatraea sp.
Nomaphila noctuella (D. & G.)
                     Gelechiidae
Aroga coloradella (Bsk.)
Dichomeris ligulella (Hbn.)
Filatima sp.
                    Blastobasidae
Holcocera sp.
                   Yponomeutidae
Atteva punctella (Cramer)
             Diptera — Flies, Mosquitoes
                      Bibionidae
Philia orbata (Osten Sacken)
                     Bombyliidae
Anthrax tigrina (DeGeer)
                   Ceratopogonidae
Atrichopogon sp. (complex)
                    Chironomidae
Chironomus sp.
                    Dolichopodidae
Condylostylus chrysoprasi (Walker)
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Ephydridae Dimecoenia spinosa (Loew.) Setacea sp. Sciomyzidae Pherbellia nana (Fallen) Stratiomyidae Hermetia illucens (Linnaeus) Tachinidae Archytas apicifer (Walker) Sitophaga sp. Therevidae Furcifera sp. Coleoptera — Beetles Alleculidae Hymenorus densus LeConte Hymenorus distinctus Fall Anobiidae Ernobius granulatus LeConte Petalium seriatum Fall Tricorynus sp. nr. gravis LeConte Anthicidae Tomoderus sp. Vacusus laetus Laf. Bostrichidae Amphicerus cornutus Pallus Lichenophanes armiger (LeConte) Stephanopachys rugosus (Olivier) Buprestidae Taphrocerus sp. Taphrocerus schaefferi Nic. and Weiss Byrrhidae Limnichites sp. Carabidae Agonoderus lineola (Fab.) Agonoderus partiarius Say Agonoderus pauperculus Dej. Agonum cincticollis Say Bembidion contractum Say Bradycellus rupestris Say

Chlaenius laticollis Say

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Chlaenius niger Rand. Dyschirius erythrocerus Lec. Euphorticus pubescens Dej. Loxandrus sp. Selonophorus sp. Tachys sp. Tetragonoderus fasciatus Hald.

#### Cerambycidae

Arhopalus rusticus nubilus (LeConte) Leptostylus sp. (probably knulli Fisher)

#### Chrysomelidae

Altica amoena Horn Altica chalybea Illiger Altica rufa Illiger Chrysomela scripta Fab. Graphops curtipennis Melsh. Lema trilineata Olivier Rhadopterus sp. Strabala rufa (Illiger)

#### Cicindelidae

Cicindela hamata lacerata Chd. Cicindela hamata monti Vaurie

#### Coccinellidae

Ceratomegilla maculata DeGeer (Coleomegilla maculata fus-

cilabris Muls. = an aberration) Chilocorus cacti Linnaeus Chilocorus tripustulatus DeGeer

Hyperaspis signata Olivier

Colydiidae

Bothrideres geminatus (Say)

Cucujidae

Ahasverus rectus (DeGeer)

Curculionidae

Anthonomus sp. Baris sp. Hyperodes sp. Listronotus blandus Henderson Perigaster obscura LeConte Sphenophorus necydaleides (Fab.)

#### Dytiscidae

Bidessus sp. Copelatus glyphicus (Say) Desmopachria grana (LeConte)

#### Elateridae

Blauta cribraria (Germar) Conoderus amplicollis (Gyll.) Conoderus falli Lane Glyphonyx sp. Hemicrepidius decolorata Say Ischiodontus soleatus (Say) Ischiodontus schwarzi Becker Ischiodontus simplex (LeConte) Lanelater sallei LeConte Melanotus fissilis (Say) Neotrichophorus carolinensis Schaeffer

#### Helodidae

Cyphon variabilis Thunb. Scirtes tibialis Guerin

#### Heteroceridae

Heterocerus pallidus Say Heterocerus pusillus Say

Hydrophilidae Enochrus consors LeConte Enochrus consortus Green

#### Lycidae

Celetes basalis LeConte

#### Monommidae

Hyporhagus punctulatus punctulatus Thomson

#### Melyridae

Collops floridanus Schaeffer Collops sp.

Noteridae Sulphisellus puncticallis Cresson

#### Omophronidae

Omophron sp.

Euparia?

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Ostomidae Temnochila virescens (Fab.)

Scarabaeidae

Ataenius cognatus LeConte

Ataenius gracilis Melsh.

Ataenius simulator Harold Aphodius granarius Linnaeus Diplotaxis bidentata LeConte

Parastasia brevipes (LeConte) Phyllophaga dispar (Burm.) Strategus julianus Burm. Scolytidae Xyleborus xylographus Say Silphidae Silpha surinamensis Fab. Staphylinidae Carpelinus sp. Hesperobium sp. Lathrobium simplex LeConte Lobrathium sp. Philonthus cunctans Horn Tenebrionidae Gondwanocrypticus obsoletus (Say) Cybotus estriatus (LeConte) Epitragodes tomentosus (LeConte) Hymenoptera - Bees, Wasps, Ants, et al. Braconidae — Braconids Lysiphlebus testaceipes (Cresson) Microplitis varicolor Viereck Rogas laphygmae Viereck Scoliidae — Scoliid Wasps Campsomeris plumipes fossulana (Fab) CLASS ARACHNIDA\* Araneida - Spiders Dictynidae — Dictynids Dictyna sublata Hentz Drassidae — Drassids Gnaphosa sericata Koch Linyphiidae — Sheet-web Weavers Ceraticelus similis Banks Erigone autumnalis Emerton Araneidae — Typical Orb-weavers Araniella displicata (Hentz) Argiopidae - Orb-weavers Tetragnatha caudata Emerton Tetragnatha pallescens (Cambridge) Tetragnatha sp.

<sup>\*—</sup>Collected by Richmond and deposited in the American Museum of Natural History, N. Y.

Thomisidae — Crab-spiders Misumenops celer Hentz Tibellus duttonii Hentz Clubionidae — Clubionids Meriola decepta Banks Lycosidae — Wolf-spiders Arctosa sublata Montgomery Lycosa antelucana Montgomery

Pardosa pauxilla Montgomery Pardosa saxatilis Hentz

Attidae — Jumping-spiders Pellenes coronatus Hentz

Phylum ECHINODERMATA

Class Holothuroidea

Cucumariidae

<sup>5</sup>Thyone mexicana

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**Class** Asteroidea

<sup>10</sup>Arbacia punctulata (Lamarck)

Purple Sea Urchin

Phylum PROSOPYGIA

**Class** Ectoprocta

Vesiculariidae

<sup>5</sup>Amathia convoluta Lamouroux

Phylum CHORDATA

Subphylum Cephalochordata (Acrania)

Branchiostomidae

Branchiostoma floridae Hubbs Florida Lancelet, Amphioxus

Subphylum Craniata (Vertebrata)

**Class** Pisces

Subclass Chondrichthyes — Cartilaginous Fishes

#### Order Squaliformes

Carcharhinidae — Requiem Sharks <sup>1/11</sup>Carcharinus leucas (Müller and Henle) Bull Shark <sup>1/11</sup>Carcharhinus limbatus (Müller and Henle) Blacktip Shark <sup>16</sup>Negaprion brevirostris (Poey) Lemon Shark <sup>1/11</sup>Scoliodon terraenovae (Richardson) Atlantic Sharpnose Shark *Sphyrnidae* <sup>15/16</sup>Sphyrna tiburo (Linnaeus) Bonnethead

Order Rajiformes (Batoidei)	
Pristidae — Sawfishes	
<sup>12/14</sup> Pristis pectinatus Latham	Common Sawfish
Torpedinidae — Electric Rays <sup>14/15/17</sup> Narcine brasiliensis (Olfers) L	esser Electric Ray
<i>Rajidae</i> — Skates	
<sup>6/16</sup> Raja eglanteria Bosc <sup>17</sup> Raja lentiginosa Bigelow and Schroeder	Skate, Brier Ray Freckled Skate
Dasyatidae <sup>17</sup> Dasyatis americana Hildebrand and Schroed	er Southern Stingray
<sup>17</sup> Gymnura micrura (Bloch and Schneider)	Smooth Butterfly Ray
Subclass Osteichthyes — Bony Fis	hes
Order Seminotiformes	
Lepisosteidae <sup>18</sup> Lepisosteus oculatus (Winchell)	Spotted Gar
Order Clupeiformes	
Elopidae — Ladyfishes <sup>16</sup> Elops saurus Linnaeus	Ladyfish
Megalopidae — Tarpons <sup>18</sup> Megalops atlantica Valenciennes	Atlantic Tarpon
Clupeidae — Herrings 1/16Dorosoma petenense (Günther)	Threadfin Shad
Engraulidae <sup>18</sup> Anchoa mitchilli (Valenciennes)	Bay Anchovy
Order Cyprinodontiformes	
Cyprinodontidae — Killifishes — Top 1 <sup>15/17</sup> Adinia xenica (Jordan and Gilbert) <sup>15/17</sup> Fundulus confluentus Goode and Bean <sup>16</sup> Fundulus pulvereus (Evermann)	Minnows Diamond Killifish Marsh Killifish Bayou Killifish
Order Gadiformes	
Gadidae — Codfishes	
<sup>16</sup> Urophycis floridanus (Bean and Dresel)	Southern Hake
Order Gasterosteiformes	
Fistulariidae — Cornetfishes <sup>4</sup> Fistularia tabacaria Linnaeus	Cornetfish
Syngnathidae — Pipefishes, Seaho	rses
<sup>6</sup> Syngnathus scovelli (Evermann and Kenda	

# Order Perciformes

Serranidae — Sea Basses <sup>17</sup> Centropristes ocyurus (Jordan and Evermann) <sup>4</sup> Centropristes philadelphicus (Linnaeus)	Rock Sea Bass
<sup>1</sup> Diplectrum arcuarium Ginsburg <sup>9</sup> Mycteroperca bonaci (Poey) <sup>8</sup> Mycteroperca phenax (Jordan and Swain) <sup>6</sup> Serraniculus pumilio Ginsburg	Sandfish Black Grouper Scamp Pigmy Sea Bass
	Tigniy Dea Dass
Lutjanidae — Snappers <sup>17</sup> Lutjanus campechanus <sup>1/10</sup> Lutjanus synagris (Linnaeus)	Red Snapper Lane Snapper
Priacanthidae	
<sup>17</sup> Pristigenys alta (Gill)	Short Bigeye
Pomatomidae — Bluefishes	
<sup>1/4</sup> Pomatomus saltatrix (Linnaeus)	Bluefish
Carangidae — Jacks	
<sup>4</sup> Alectis crinitis (Mitchill)	Threadfish
<sup>4</sup> Caranx hippos (Linnaeus)	Common Jack
<sup>16</sup> Caranx crysos (Mitchill)	Blue Runner
*Chloroscombrus chrysurus (Linnaeus)	Bumper
Pomadasyidae — Grunts	
<sup>1/14/18</sup> Orthopristis chrysopterus (Linnaeus)	Pigfish
Sciaenidae — Drums	0
	Southern Kingfish
<sup>16</sup> Stellifer lanceolatus (Holbrook)	Star Drum
<sup>17</sup> Cynoscion arenarius Ginsburg	Sand Sea Trout
<sup>17</sup> Cynoscion nothus (Holbrook)	Silver Sea Trout
	Darver Dea rivav
Ephippidae — Spadefishes <sup>12</sup> Chaetodipterus faber (Broussonet)	Spadefish
Pomacentridae — Damselfishes	-
<sup>7/8</sup> Abudefduf saxatilis (Linnaeus) Labridae — Wrasse	Sergeant Major
<sup>17</sup> Halichoeres radiatus (Linnaeus)	Puddingwife
<sup>11</sup> Halichoeres caudalis (Poey)	Painted Wrasse
<sup>13/16</sup> Hemipteronotus novacula (Linnaeus)	Razorfish
Scombridae — Tunas, Mackerels <sup>4</sup> Scomberomorus maculatus (Mitchill)	Spanish Mackerel
Xiphiidae — Swordfishes	
<sup>14</sup> Xiphias gladius Linnaeus	Swordfish
Eleotridae — Sleepers <sup>15/16</sup> Eleotris pisonis (Gmelin) — S	pinycheck Sleeper

Gobiidae — Gobies	
<sup>4/17</sup> Gobioides broussonneti Lacépède	Violet Goby
<sup>16</sup> Gobionellus boleosoma (Jordan and Gilbert)	Darter Goby
<sup>1</sup> Gobiosoma longipala Ginsburg	Naked Goby
<sup>17</sup> Gobiosoma sp.	Goby
<sup>16</sup> Gobiosoma bosci (Lacépède)	Naked Goby
<sup>1</sup> Gobiosoma robustum Ginsburg	Naked Goby
<sup>16</sup> Microgobius gulosus (Girard) La	rge-mouthed Goby
<sup>15</sup> Evorthodus lyricus (Girard)	Lyre Goby
Scorpaenidae — Rockfishes, Scorpion	fishes
<sup>17</sup> Scorpaena dispar Longley and Hildebrand	Hunchback Scorpionfish
<sup>11</sup> Scorpaena grandicornis Cuvier	Lionfish
11/17 Scorpaena plumieri Bloch	Scorpion Fish
Triglidae	1
<sup>17</sup> Prionotus martis Ginsburg	Barred Searobin
<sup>17</sup> Prionotus rubio Jordan	Blackfin Searobin
<sup>10/17</sup> Prionotus scitulus Jordan and Gilbert	Slender Searobin
<sup>17</sup> Prionotus tribulus Cuvier	Bighead Searobin
<sup>17</sup> Prionotus sp.	Searobin
Blenniidae — Combtooth Blennie	
<sup>4</sup> Hypsoblennius hentzi (LeSueur)	Feather Blenny
<sup>4</sup> Hypsoblennius ionthas (Jordan and Gilbert)	Freckled Blenny
<i>Ophidiidae</i> — Cusk-eels	
	Blackedge Cusk-eel
<sup>1</sup> Ophidion sp.	Cusk-eel
<sup>1</sup> Ophidion welshi (Nichols and Breder)	Crested Cusk-eel
<sup>15/16</sup> Otophidium sp.	Cusk-eel
Sphyraenidae — Barracudas	
<sup>7/16</sup> Sphyraena barracuda (Walbaum)	Great Barracuda
<sup>15/16</sup> Sphyraena guachancho Cuvier	Guachanche
Order Pleuronectiformes	
Bothidae — Lefteye Flounders	
	Ocellated Flounder
<sup>4</sup> Citharichthys macrops Dresel	Spotted Whiff
<sup>18/17</sup> Etropus crossotus Jordan and Gilbert	Fringed Flounder
<sup>4</sup> Syacium gunteri Ginsburg	Gunter's Flounder
Soleidae	
<sup>17</sup> Achirus lineatus (Linnaeus)	Lined Sole
<sup>18/17</sup> Trinectes maculatus Bloch and Schneider	Broad Sole,
Traceres machanas Dioch and Schleider	Hogchoker
Order Echeneiformes	
Echeneidae — Remoras	
<sup>17</sup> Echeneis naucrates Linnaeus	Sharksucker

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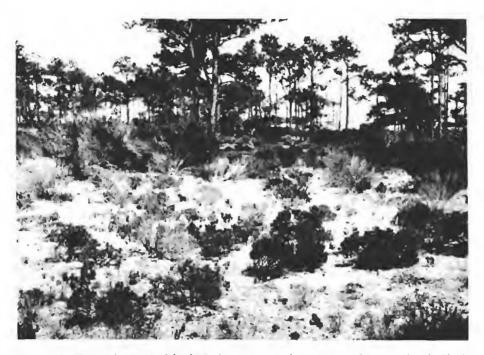


Figure 7. Typical scene of higher elevations in the interior of Horn Island (Slash Pine, Rosemary, Baccharis and Saw Palmetto)



Figure 8. Tracks of Procyon lotor in sand

	Order Gobiesociformes
s Skilletfish	Gobiesocidae — Clingfishes <sup>15/16</sup> Gobiesox strumosus Cope
	Order Tetraodontiformes
fishes	Balistidae — Filefishes, Triggeri
Orange Filefish	4/17 Alutera schoepfi (Walbaum)
Gray Triggerfish	<sup>17</sup> Balistes capriscus Gmelin
Fringed Filefish	5/17 Monacanthus ciliatus (Mitchill)
Common Filefish	<sup>1/17</sup> Monacanthus hispidus (Linnaeus)
	Tetraodontidae — Puffers <sup>17</sup> Sphaeroides nephelus (Goode and Bean)
S	Ostraciidae — Trunkfishes
Cowfish	<sup>2/11</sup> Lactophrys quadricornis (Linnaeus)
	Order Batrachoidiformes
es	Batrachoididae — Toadfishe
	<sup>2</sup> Opsanus beta (Goode and Bean)
Atlantic Midshipman	<sup>15/16</sup> Porichthys porosissimus (Cuvier)
	Order Lophiiformes
es	Antennariidae — Frogfishe
Singlespot Frogfish	<sup>13/16</sup> Antennarius radiosus Garman
Sargassum Fish	<sup>4</sup> Histrio histrio (Linnaeus)
es	Ogcocephalidae — Batfishe
Longnose Batfish	<sup>17</sup> Ogocephalus vespertilio (Linnaeus)

<sup>17</sup>Ogocephalus vespertilio (Linnaeus) Longnose Batfish <sup>6</sup>Ogcocephalus sp. Batfish

The numbers preceding the species indicate by whom the collection was made. Numbers 1, 2 and 3 are identical with the numbers used in my 1962 paper. The remainder refer to other collectors or references as follows: 4. Gulf Coast Research Laboratory; 5 C. E. Dawson; 6. H. Shoemaker (1955): 7. A. Myrberg; 8. H. T. Boschung; 9. Rohr, Ford and Brewster; 10. W. Demoran; 11. J. Y. Christmas; 12. W. Walley; 13. Gordon Garwood; 14. Wayne Watkins; 15. James B. Ward; 16. James Franks; 17. Gordon Gunter—unpublished data.

#### Class Amphibia — The Frogs, Toads, Salamanders

#### Hylidae

Hyla crucifer crucifer Wied. Hyla femoralis Latreille Hyla gratiosa LeConte Pseudacris nigrita nigrita LeConte Pseudacris ornata (Holbrook) Sceloperus undulatus undulatus Latrielle

Class Reptilia — The Reptiles

Testudinata — Turtles

Chelydridae

<sup>8</sup>Chelydra serpentina serpentina (Linnaeus)

Common Snapping Turtle

Class Aves — Birds

Colymbidae — Grebes Horned Grebe W <sup>5</sup>Colymbus auritus Linnaeus Ardeidae — Herons and Bitterns <sup>3</sup>Ardea occidentalis occidentalis Audubon Great White Heron T <sup>5</sup>Botaurus lentiginosus (Backett) American Bittern S Cattle Egret <sup>5</sup>Ardeola ibis ibis (Linnaeus) S <sup>1/3</sup>Dicromanassa rufescens rufescens (Gmelin) Reddish Egret P <sup>8/5</sup>Florida caerulea caerulea (Linnaeus) Little Blue Heron S Eastern Least Bittern W <sup>1</sup>Ixobrychus exilis exilis (Gmelin) Anatidae - Swans, Geese and Ducks <sup>3/5</sup>Anas strepara Linnaeus Gadwell W Bufflehead W <sup>5</sup>Charitonetta albeola (Linnaeus) <sup>5</sup>Glaucionetta clangula americana (Bonaparte) American W Goldeneye <sup>3</sup>Lophodytes cucullatus (Linnaeus) Hooded Merganser W <sup>5</sup>Melanitta perspicillata (Linnaeus) Surf Scoter M <sup>5</sup>Mergus merganser merganser Cassin American Merganser W <sup>5</sup>Perissonetta collaris (Donovan) Ring-necked Duck W <sup>5</sup>Spatula clypeata (Linnaeus) Shoveler M Rallidae - Gallinules and Rails <sup>4</sup>Laterallus jamaicensis jamaicensis (Gmelin) Black Rail M,W <sup>3/5</sup>Porzana carolina (Linnaeus) Sora Rail T,W Charadriidae — Plovers, Turnstones and Surfbirds <sup>1/5</sup>Charadrius alexandrinus tenuirostris (Lawrence) Cuban Snowy Plover S

Scolopacidae — Woodcocks, Snipes and Sandpipers <sup>3</sup>Erolia maritima (Brünnich) Purple Sandpiper T <sup>1/5</sup>Limnodromus griseus griseus (Gmelin) Eastern Dowitcher T Laridae — Gulls and Terns

<sup>3</sup>Rissa tridactyla tridactyla (Linnaeus) Atlantic Kittiwake T <sup>5</sup>Thalasseus sandvicensis acuflavidus (Cabot) Cabot Tern S

Columbidae — Pigeons and Doves <sup>3</sup>Columba livia Gmelin Rock or Domestic Pigeon W <sup>5</sup>Zenaida asiatica asiatica (Linnaeus) White-winged Dove T

Tytonidae

<sup>6</sup>Tyto alba pratincola (Bonaparte) Barn Owl P

Caprimulgidae — Goatsuckers	
	k-will's Widow W Eastern Whippoorwill T
Trochilidae — Hummingbirds	The provide the second
<sup>3/5</sup> Archilochus colubris (Linnaeus)	Ruby-throated Hummingbird M,T
Picidae — Woodpeckers	
<sup>3</sup> Dendrocopos pubescens pubescens (Linnaeus	;) Southern Woodpecker P
<sup>3</sup> Melanerpes erythrocephalus (Linnaeus) Red-headed	Eastern
Tyrannidae - Flycatcher	
•	east Flycatcher M
Corvidae — Crows and Jays	
<sup>3</sup> Corvus ossifragus Wilson	Fish Crow P
<sup>3</sup> Cyanocitta cristata cristata (Linnaeus)	Southern Blue Jay P
Paridae — Titmice	
<sup>3</sup> Penthestes carolinensis guilloti Oberholser	Louisiana Chickadee P
Troglodytidae — Wrens	
<sup>3</sup> Telmatodytes palustris palustris (Wilson)	Long-billed Marsh Wren P
<sup>3</sup> Nannus troglodytes hiemalis (Vieillot)	Eastern Winter Wren W
Mimidae — Mockingbirds and Thras <sup>3</sup> Toxostoma rufum rufum (Linnaeus) Bro	
Vireonidae — Vireos	
<sup>3</sup> Vireo sylva gilva gilva (Vieillot) Eastern	Warbling Vireo M
	d Warblers Black-throated Blue Warbler M
<sup>3</sup> Seiurus motacilla (Vieillot) Louisiana	Waterthrush S oded Warbler M,S
Icteridae — Meadowlarks, Blackbirds a	
	rchard Oriole S,M ltimore Oriole M
<sup>3</sup> Sturnella magna argutula Bangs Southerr	n Meadowlark W,T
Thraupidae — Tanagers	
<sup>1/3/5</sup> Piranga olivacea (Gmelin) So	carlet Tanager M nmer Tanager M,T s and Buntings

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<sup>3/7</sup>Passerina ciris ciris (Linnaeus) Painted Bunting M,W <sup>3</sup>Zonotrichia albicollis (Gmelin) White-throated Sparrow M,W

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M = Migrant, P = Permanent resident, S = Summer resident, T = Transient or winter visitant, V = Summer visitant, W = Winter resident.

Class Mammalia - The Mammals

#### Order Chiroptera — Bats

Vespertilionidae — Vespertilionid — Bats Myotis lucifugus lucifugus (LeConte) Little Brown Myotis

Order Rodentia - Rodents

Capromyidae — Nutrias and Coypus Myocastor coypus bronariensis

(E. Geoffrey St. - Hilaire) Coypus

Muridae

Mus musculus (Linnaeus)

House Mouse

#### FLORA

### THALLOPHYTA Phaeophyta — Brown Algae

Dictyotaceae <sup>2</sup> Dictyota dichotoma (Hudson) Lamouroux	Dictyota
Ectocarpaceae	
Ectocarpus confervoides (Roth) LeJod.	Ectocarpus
<sup>2</sup> Ectocarpus siliculosus (Dillwa.) Lyngb.	Ectocarpus
Sargassaceae	
<sup>2</sup> Sargassum fluitans Borgesen	Sargassum
<sup>2</sup> Sargassum natans (Linneaus)	Sargassum
Charophyta — Brittleworts	
Characeae	
<sup>2</sup> Chara sp.	Chara
Chlorophyta — Green Algae Caulerpaceae	
<sup>2</sup> Caulerpa prolifera (Forskal) Lamouroux	Caulerpa
Cladophoraceae	
<sup>2</sup> Chaetomorpha gracilis Kützing	Chaetomorpha

<sup>2</sup> Cladophora blomquistii Aziz and Humm <sup>2</sup> Cladophora gracilis (Griffiths) Kütz.	Cladophora Cladophora		
Ulvaceae Enteromorpha prolifera (Müll.) J. Ag.	Enteromorpha		
Rhodophyta — Red Algae Ceramiaceae			
<sup>2</sup> Spyridia filamentosa (Wulfen) Harvey	Spyridia		
Champiaceae <sup>2</sup> Champia parvula (C. Agardh) Harvey	Champia		
Chantransiaceae <sup>2</sup> Acrochaetium seriatum Borgesen	Acrochaetium		
Gracilariaceae			
<sup>2</sup> Gracilaria verrucosa (Hudson) Papenfuss	Gracilaria		
Hypneaceae <sup>2</sup> Hypnea musciformis (Wulfen) Lamouroux	Hypnea		
Rhodomelaceae			
<sup>2</sup> Chondria baileyana (Montague) Harvey	Chondria		
<sup>2</sup> Chondria cnicophylla (Melvill) De Toni	Chondria		
<sup>2</sup> Chondria littoralis Harvey	Chondria		
<sup>2</sup> Laurencia poitei (Lamouroux) Howe	Laurencia		
Cyanophyta — Bluegreen Algae Myxophyceae			
<sup>2</sup> Dichothrix penicillata Zanardini	Dichothrix		
Pteridophyta Osmundaceae			
Osmunda regalis Linnaeus	Royal Fern		
Spermatophyta Gramineae			
Andropogon maritimus Chapman Seasio	le Broom Grass		
<sup>5</sup> Aristida spiciformis Elliott "Spike-li	ike" Awn Grass		
Cynodon dactylon (Kuntze)	Bermuda Grass		
Distichlis spicata (Linnaeus) Greene	Spike-grass		
*Echinochla (Panicum) crus-galli (L.) Beauvoin	r Barnyard-grass		
Cyperaceae			
Elocharis acicularis (L.) R. + S.			
	at-colored Sedge		
(Plants previously identified as $F$ . Harperi and $F$ . castanea			

<sup>\*—</sup>Listed previously but generic name changed 2. Collected by R. B. Channell (1966); 4. collected by S. M. Tracy (1898-1903); 5. collected by D. L. Diener (1953). Unnumbered species collected by Richmond (1962-1966). Deposited in the Bailey Hortorium at Cornell University or at the Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences.

are probably F. spadicea according to A. E. Sch Fuirena scirpoides Michx.	uyler) orella-grass
Xyridaceae	oreina Brapp
Xyris flabelliformis Chapman Flabellate Yellow	-eyed grass
Haemodoraceae	
Lacnanthes tinctoria (Walt.) Ell.	Red Root
Amaryllidaceae Allium canadense Linnaeus	Wild Garlic
Iridaceae Sisyrinchium atlanticum Bicknell Atlantic Blue- Sisyrinchium nanum Bicknell Blue-	eyed Grass eyed Grass
Orchidaceae Spiranthes floridana Wherry Lac	lies Tresses
(Same as Delopyrum gracilis Nutt.)	Jointweed Smartweed
Amaranthaceae	oniai vweed
	haff Flower
Capparidaceae Polanisia tenuifolia Torrey & Gray	Caper
Cruciferae	
Cakile fusiformis Greene Lepidium virginicum Linnaeus Poor-ma	Cakile an's Pepper
Rosaceae	Dewberry
Oxalidaceae	
	lked Oxalis
Euphorbiaceae Euphorbia cordifolia (Ell.) Small Euphorbia sp.	Spurge Spurge
Malvaceae	
	ore-mallow ore-mallow
Cistaceae	
	Frostweed

Violaceae	
Viola vittata Greene	White Violet
Melastomataceae	
Rhexia alifanus Walt.	Meadow-beauty
Cornaceae	
Svida stricta Lamarck (Small)	Lamarck's Dogwood
Umbelliferae	
Ptilimnium capillaceum (Michaux) Ref	. Mock's Bishop's Weed
Ericaceae	
Vaccinium Darrowi Camp	Darrow's Blueberry
Primulaceae	-
Centrunculus minimum Linnaeus	Small's Chaffweed
Convolvulaceae	
	Sagittate Morning-glory
Scrophulariaceae	0 00 0
Linaria floridana Chapman	Florida Toadflax
Lentibulariaceae	
Pinguicula lutea Walter	Yellow Butterwort
0	wl-shaped Bladderwort
Compositae	-
Circium horridulum Elliotti	Purple Thistle
(Forma Elliotti (T. & G.) Fernald	-
<sup>4</sup> Coreopsis corninsularis Sherff	Horn Island Tick-seed
Erechtites hieracifolia (L.) Raf.	Pilewort, Fireweed
Helenium amarum (Rab.) H. Rock	Sneezeweed

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Figure 9. From Gulf to North (Section 29)



Figure 10. Looking West – last of trees – near Section 24



Figure 11. Euphorbia cordifolia (Ell.) Small — Spurge

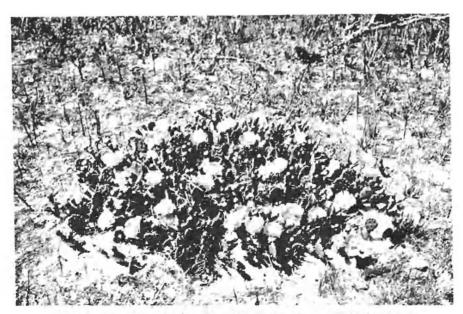


Figure 12. Opuntia humitusa Rat. — Ratinesque's Prickly Pear

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#### CORRIGENDA

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p. 62, line 1: Fields = Field

p. 70, line 37: Andara = Anadara

p. 71, line 36: Marcrocallista = Macrocallista

p. 74, line 23: Malacostra = Malacostraca

- p. 74, line 30: Taylorchestia longicornis = Talorchestia sp.
- p. 74, line 43: ocessatus = ocellatus
- p. 75, line 7: Emargonarta = emarginata
- p. 78, line 4: Lygus apicalis Fieber = Taylorilygus pallidulus Blanchard
- p. 78, line 19: Pangaeus bilineatus (Say) = Cydnidae
- p. 78, line 40: Graminella nigrifrons = Delete "Probably fascifrons (Stål)
- p. 78, line 43: Macrosteles divisus (Uhler) = M. fascifrons (Stål)
  - p. 80, line 15: Crambus sp. = Place in Crambidae
  - p. 81, line 11: canithorax = mississippiensis Hoffman
  - p. 83, line 8: (Fall) = (Fall.)
  - p. 83, line 39: Dorilas sp. = Pipunculus
  - p. 83, line 46: Genus? = belongs under Rhagionidae
  - p. 87, line 7: serialis = seriata
  - p. 87, line 10: Sylvanus = Silvanus
  - p. 88, line 26: Photuris pennsylvanica (DeGeer) = probably P. versicolor (Fab.) per McDermott

p. 90, line 22: Dorymymex = Dorymyrmexp. 91, line 15: Delete and use Linyphiidae - Linyphiids p. 92, line 5: Urochorda = Urochordata p. 93, line 10: Carnax = Caranxp. 93, line 26: Micropogen = Micropogon p. 94, line 14: albiguttus = albiguttap. 94, line 15: lethostigmus = lethostigmap. 96, line 7: Gannet = Sulidae. Insert on p. 95 after Pelecanidae p. 96, line 43: Black bellied = hyphenate p. 97, line 35: Kingbord = Kingbird p. 98, line 5: Hylochichla = Hylocichlap. 99, line 23: Mus = Rattus, Author of species = (Berkenhout) p. 100, line 9: Bitter Beachgrass Fig. 26, line 2: groundsell = groundsel p. 101, line 31: carymbosa = corymbosap. 102, line 35: Rafinewque's = Rafinesque's p. 103, line 12: stellaria = stellaris p. 104, line 2: Thistle = Actinospermum p. 104, line 4: Groundsell = Groundsel p. 104, line 10: recurring = recurving

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# Seasonal Occurrence of the Pelagic Copepoda in Mississippi Sound

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#### ABSTRACT

Collections of planktonic copepods from Mississippi Sound were made from January 1965 to March 1966. The following fifteen freeliving copepods were identified: Eucalanus pileatus, Paracalanus parvus, Centropages hamatus, Centropages furcatus, Temora stylifera, Temora longicornis, Labidocera aestiva, Labidocera species, Acartia tonsa, Oithona brevicornis, Oithona species, Oncaea venusta, Corycaeus species, Sappharina nigromaculata and Euterpina acutifrons.

It was found that there is a definite seasonal distribution of copepods in Mississippi Sound with peak populations of copepods occurring in the spring, summer and fall.

#### INTRODUCTION

The copepods have a vital role in the economy of the sea. Clarke (1957) referred to them as "key industry animals," thus indicating that they act to convert the phytoplankton into a form of food available to larger animals in the environment that are not able to feed directly on the phytoplankton. Knowledge of the abundance and seasonal occurrence of the copepods is of fundamental importance.

The literature published on copepods of the Gulf of Mexico is sparse. Herrick (1887) published a list of a number of copepods collected from the northern Gulf Coast. His investigations extended from the west coast of Florida to the Gulf Coast of Alabama. Foster (1904) reported on the copepods collected from the area around the Gulf Biologic Station in Louisiana. King (1949) published a list of species taken in a ten-month survey of the west coast of Florida. Davis (1949) also published a composite and updated list of the copepods collected from a number of stations located on both the east and west coasts of Florida, which included both marine and brackish water forms. Jones (1952) conducted a preliminary survey of copepods from the Florida Current. His work included notes on the seasonal distribution and vertical distribution of the copepods in that region. Owre (1962) compiled a composite list of 129 species of copepods which were found in the Florida Current. This list was amend-

ed by Owre and Foyo (1964) and 45 species were added to the original list, making a total of 174 species of copepods identified from the Florida Current. Owre and Foyo (1967) published an illustrated key to the copepods found in the Florida Current. Schmidt (1954) reviewed all studies of copepods of the Gulf of Mexico and estimated "that close to a hundred free-swimming copepods, representative of some 70 genera, have to date been taken in the Gulf of Mexico and brackish waters adjacent thereto." Grice (1956) conducted a qualitative and quantitative seasonal study of the copepods of Alligator Harbor, Florida. Fleminger (1957) and Grice (1960) reported on various specific genera and added several new species to the ever growing list of species found in the Gulf of Mexico. Gonzalez (1957) reported on the seasonal distribution of the copepods of the Mississippi Delta region. Hopkins (1966) listed several copepods taken in the St. Andrew Bay System, Florida, with notes on their seasonal occurrence there. Woodmansee (1958) reported on a study of the seasonal distribution of the zooplankton off Chicken Key in Biscayne Bay, Florida, and Richmond (1962) listed one species of copepod collected near the beach of Horn Island in the Mississippi Sound.

The purposes of this investigation were to determine: (1) the quantitatively important species of copepods in the Mississippi Sound region of the Northern Gulf of Mexico; and (2) the relative abundance of each species through the course of a year.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE MISSISSIPPI SOUND

According to Moore (1961), Mississippi Sound is an elongated body of water partially enclosed by a series of barrier islands. The Sound is approximately eighty miles long by ten miles wide, with an average depth of about ten feet (Figure 1). The axis of the sound is almost due east and west. The eastern boundary is the eastern end of Dauphin Island, near the lower end of Mobile Bay, and the western end terminates at Grand Island, Louisiana. Moore (1961) stated that the bottom is mud, but this is replaced by sand close to the barrier islands and in some places along the mainland. The eastern onethird of the Mississippi Sound lies in Alabama.

The major fresh water entry into Mississippi Sound is the Pascagoula River which empties into the Sound near the Alabama-Mississippi border, and the Pearl River which flows into the Sound about four miles west of Grand Island. In addition to these two rivers, fresh water flows into the Sound through Biloxi Bay and the Bay of St. Louis. Biloxi Bay is supplied with fresh water by the Biloxi River, the Tchouticabouffa River, Old Fort Bayou and Bernard Bayou. The Bay of St. Louis is supplied by the Jourdan and Wolf Rivers.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### Field Procedure

Once each month through the period January 1965 to March 1966, zooplankton collections were made at 10:00 A. M. All of these collections were made at a station located in Mississippi Sound, lying in Latitude 30° 17' N. and Longitude 88° 45' W. (Figure 1).

Each collection was made by towing a Clarke-Bumpus quantitative plankton sampler (Clarke and Bumpus 1940 and 1950) four times